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Article: Robinson L. et al., "Confocal Microscopes Probe Biological Specimens" Laser Focus World, Pennwell Publishing, Tulsa, USA May 1994 (1994-05), Pages 215-220.

Also, enclosed is a copy of the corresponding International Search Report.

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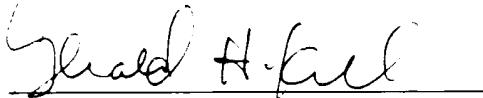
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